Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* The Registrar who makes the appointment of the auditors is under the Minister.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* I am on this point that the society should be made to pay the money without the Government paying and then filing suits to recover the money.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* When an auditor is appointed by the Government, Government are also bound to pay him. If they are asked to realise the amount direct from the societies, the auditors will not agree.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* For every application to the Land Mortgage Bank, the money has to be paid in advance. Why not you ask societies to pay in advance?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Government are now following the procedure adopted in British India.

Mr. C. R. Iyyuni *(Trichur-South):* May I know, Sir, what exactly is the difficulty in asking the societies to pay the whole thing to the Government immediately before appointing the auditors?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* The amount required cannot therefore be fixed in advance. The audit fee is calculated on the percentage of profit.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* The amount collected from the society is on the percentage of profits and so you cannot all of a sudden ask the society to pay so much to the auditor.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* I am glad the Hon'ble Minister is fully supporting my position. The fees to be collected depend upon the profits earned. Government appoint auditors; auditors have to be paid fees. If all the societies return no profit, no audit fee will be collected. Therefore, the Minister is strongly supporting my position.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know, if there is no profit, the auditor should not be paid anything?

Deputy President: There seems to be some confusion on this matter. For the proper working of the societies, the Government thought that the appointment of the auditors was necessary. For that purpose, they have to appoint their own auditors. If they appoint their own auditors, they will have to pay them. If you are against the appointment you may object to it and not paying the auditors.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* It is paid by the Government and not by the society. The audit fees realised from the Society is not the auditor's fee.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Mulankunnathukavu):* May I know from the Minister whether this is a new practice and also whether the Government will have to incur any extra expenditure?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* No. On the contrary we expect some margin in excess of the expenditure?

Demand put and carried

(2) Rs. 130 under "14 (8)—Town Councils—Contingencies"

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* I request that a sum of Rs. 130 under "14 (8)—Town Councils—Contingencies"—be kindly granted.

An expenditure of Rs. 130 was incurred for the numbering of houses and preparing the electoral rolls in connection with the constitution of Town Councils in Trippunittura, Cranganur, Chalakkudi, Ollur and Palanji. There is no provision in the current year's budget for this expenditure. Savings are also not available for re-appropriation within budget grants. An additional allotment of Rs. 130 under "14—8—Town Councils—Contingency" is therefore necessary. I request that this may be granted.

Demand put and carried

(3) Rs. 220 under "23—Ayurveda—Establishment of Visha Vaidya Sala"

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I move that a sum of Rs. 220 under "23—Ayurveda—Establishment of Visha Vaidyasala" be granted.

The term of the appointment of the Visha Vaidyan at Aylore expired on 9th Thulam 1117 and provision was made in the budget only till then. But it was subsequently ordered that the Visha Vaidyan be stationed at Aylore permanently and provision has to be found for his pay for the remaining months. Savings are not available for re-appropriation. Hence I request that an additional allotment be granted.

Demand put and carried

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